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on to say, however, the individual evaluations by the joint evaluation team and the interdisciplinary teams made pursuant to alternate plan standards as circumscribed by the availability of quality service at the various levels of treatment shall be determinative of the maximum residual population at the Beatrice State Developmental Center at any point in time. And in total context it does not project the 250 as any hard figure whatsoever that I can read into it. I have some copies being made right now of this, and if various Senators would be interested in going through this plan of implementation, I will make them available to you if you would just let me know because we are printing some right now and we will get more printed if you want to look it over. I haven't had time to discuss or read the whole thing in detail but at present under the way I read it I don't see anything in the plan of implementation to get shook about as a general drive for a 250 figure but this is merely a figure that was originally injected by the plaintiffs as a plan of 250 by one head of an institution that thought that 250 was a maximum figure, and at no point of what I have read so far in this do I find any indication that it puts any hard fix or direct fix on the figure of 250 but that that will be the residual population and I am sure that most of you that have visited the Beatrice State Developmental Center feel that 250 figure is a completely unrealistic figure, that somewhere from five to eight hundred will probably be the figure as has been discussed for years as a general probable fix of a range that will be arrived at to where we can serve the residents and the participants of these programs in the best interest to those and their families. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Warner, is the motion to advance LB 593 to E & R for review? Okay. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Have you all voted? The motion is the advancement of LB 593 to E & R for Review. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 1 nay on the motion to advance.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk has some things to read in.

CLERK: Mr. President, the committee on Banking, Commerce and Insurance gives notice of public hearing in Room 1520 for Tuesday, April 24.

The Speaker offers scheduling for legislative bills for Special Order and dates certain bills are to be considered.